GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1896
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MODERNISATION OF SHIPYARDS
ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to modernise and upgrade some shipyards;

(b) if so, the shipyards identified for modernisation and upgradation during the Ninth Plan; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)
(a) to (c): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1896 29.11.2001

There are three Shipyards, namely, Mazagon Dock Ltd at Mumbai, Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd at Kolkata and Goa Shipyard Ltd at Goa, under the Ministry of Defence.These Shipyards, being companies registered under the Companies Act, raise their own resources for modernisation / upgradation.

Modernisation and upgradation of shipbuilding and ship-repair facilities of the Defence Shipyards is an on-going process and is done on a need based basis for production of warships and to absorb higher technologies as per requirements. Modernisation has taken place in civil works, machine capacities, information technology, computer aided design/computer aided machining capabilities, welding technology, managerial and technical skills, etc. Further, adoption of modular techniques for pre-outfitting, acquisition of modern and higher capacity material handling equipment, development and renovation of slip-ways, etc. are also planned and are being executed in a phased manner.

During the IX Plan period the three Shipyards have invested approximately Rs. 60 Crore, in modernisation.